

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ವೈ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಎಷ್ಟೆಷ್ಟು ಮತ್ತು ಯಾವ ಯಾವ ರೀತಿಯಾಗಿ ಇದನ್ನು ಹಂಚಬೇಕೆಂಬುದರಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ನೀತಿಯೇನು? ಒಬ್ಬೊಬ್ಬರಿಗೂ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆಯೇ, ಹೇಗೆ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಹೆಚ್. ಎಸ್. ರುದ್ರಪ್ಪ.—ಒಬ್ಬೊಬ್ಬರೇ ಕೇಳಿದರೂ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಪ್ರತಿಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ಎಲ್ಲೆಡೆ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿಯವರು ಕೇಳಿದರೂ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ವೈ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಹಾಗೆ ಕೊಡುವಾಗ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಾರಾಗಿ ಅಥವಾ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕುಪಾರಾಗಿ ಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದೇನಾದರೂ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಆಲೋಚಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಹೆಚ್. ಎಸ್. ರುದ್ರಪ್ಪ.—ಯಾರಾದರೂ ಸಹಾಯ ಬೇಕೆಂದು ಕೇಳಿದರೆ ಅಂತಹವರಿಗೂ ಬೀಜದ ಹೊರಗಿನನ್ನು ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಮತ್ತು ಯಾರಾದರೂ ಅಭಿಲಾಷೆಯಿಂದ ಶಿಫಾರಸು ಬಂದು ಇಂತಹವರಿಗೇ ಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದರೆ ಅಂತಹವರಿಗೂ ಸಹ ಆ ರೀತಿಯಾದ ಹೊರಗಿನನ್ನು ಸರಬರಾಜು ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ವಿ. ದೇಸಾಯಿ.—ಮುನೀರಾಬಾದಿನಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಫಾರಂ ಅನ್ನು ಈ ರೀತಿಯಾದ ಪಶು ಸಂಶೋಧನಾಲಯವೆಂದು ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂಬುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಹೆಚ್. ಎಸ್. ರುದ್ರಪ್ಪ.—ಬಂದಿಲ್ಲ.

2 P.M.

Outbreak of fire in Champion Reefs Mines of Kolar Gold Fields.

Q.—1016. Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether there was an outbreak of fire in the Champion Reefs Mines at K.G.F. recently;

(b) the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the same has affected the output of gold;

(d) if so, the extent of loss?

A.—Sri T. MARIAPPA (Minister for Finance) [on behalf of S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister)].—

(a) There was an outbreak of fire in the Champion Reef Mine on 26th April 1957 which lasted until Sunday the 9th June 1957 on which date the fire area was reopened.

(b) An enquiry was conducted into the causes for the fire but it has not been possible so far to ascertain the exact reason.

(c) and (d) As a result of the fire, the whole of the South Zone of the Mine had to be closed and as sixty per

cent of the ore used to be mined in this area the output was greatly reduced. The total loss of gross profit is estimated at Rs. 7.84 lakhs.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—May I know whether it is true that these fire accidents are very frequent in the K.G.F. Mines?

*Sri T. MARIAPPA.—It is not so. Of course there are fire accidents. But they are not very frequent.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—May I know whether Government took any steps to control this fire which occurred for a period of nearly 1½ months?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—We have taken all possible steps to control the fire. Immediately the whole area was sealed off. Otherwise it would have spread to other areas.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Is it true Sir, that this fire took place where you have the richest ore?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—Sir, this question relates to fire accidents. Of course, there was rich ore in that place. I will not say richest ore.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—With regard to the reasons, may I know what steps Government took to find out the reasons for the outbreak of the fire?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—We got the whole thing enquired into.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Is it true that sabotage by the communists was suspected for the outbreak of the fire?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—The enquiry has not disclosed any such reasons.

Sri C. K. RAJALAH SETTY.—Is the Government aware that the heat in that level is higher than can be controlled, that it is nearly 120 degrees and that Government have failed to control fire?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—This has not been disclosed in the enquiry or from the records before me.

Sri C. K. RAJALAH SETTY.—Is it not a fact that that is the reason why fires have been occurring?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—It is not so.

Sri C. K. RAJALAH SETTY.—What is the reason?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—We are not able to locate the reason though we have tried our best.

Sri C. K. RAJAI AH SETTY.—Shall I suggest this as a reason?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—I cannot accept it in the absence of scientific opinion.

Sri V. S. PATIL.—Is it a fact that the persons from whom the Mine has been taken over—Messrs. John Taylor and Sons—and who are capitalists are at the bottom of this fire accident?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—No, Sir. It is a very farfetched inference.

Sri G. DUGGAPPA.—May I know who conducted this enquiry to find out the causes for the outbreak of the fire?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—The Officers.

Sri G. DUGGAPPA.—Will the Government place the report of the enquiry on the table of the House?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—I am afraid in public interest it is not possible to place the report on the table of the House.

Sri Y. VEERAPPA.—Was there great loss incurred on account of the fire?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—The only loss was—we were not able to work the ore.

Sri Y. VEERAPPA.—Is it not true that due to the accumulation of certain volatile and combustible gases in the interior of the mine that such accidents have been occurring?

Mr. SPEAKER.—That is a matter of opinion.

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—This is at best a guess. But the question is this. There are certain gases. But we take all possible precautions. After all we are human. We will not know where exactly such gases gather.

Sri C. K. RAJAI AH SETTY.—After taking over the mines, are the same personnel still continued?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—It is a different question, Sir.

Sri J. VENKATAPPA.—Will the Government consider the question of re-opening the mine with a view to increase production?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—We have already opened up.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Are there any loss of lives in the fire accidents so far? May I know the losses incurred in the fire accidents in the mines so far?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—That is a big question.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—May I know whether Government are contemplating to set up a committee to devise means for controlling these fire accidents on account of their frequent occurrences in the mines?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—We have got all possible information. Unfortunately accidents do happen.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Question time is over.

QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(But not taken up)

Water Supply from Krishnarajsagar to Channapatna Taluk.

Q.—582. **Sri B. K. PUTTARAMIYA** (Channapatna).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the water of Krishnarajasagar that has been led to Koppa Hobli in Maddur Taluk will be made to cross through the Simsha River at or about Iaggahalli to be brought to Channapatna Taluk;

(b) whether a survey for the purpose will be made at an early date?

A.—**Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH** (Minister for Public Works).—

(a) The proposal is not feasible.

(b) Does not arise.

Lands brought under Irrigation from Turuganur Channels in T.-Narsipur Taluk.

Q.—922. **Sri T. P. BORIAH** (Kollagal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of acres of land converted into wet lands in T.-Narsipur Taluk under Turuganur channels of Visvesvaraya Canal;

(b) the extent of land that is getting supply of channel water at present?